

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY**  
**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wis. Stats., a **special** meeting of the **Brown County Public Safety Committee** was held on Tuesday, February 16, 2011 in Room 200 of the Northern Building – 305 East Walnut Street, Green Bay, WI

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**Present:** Tom De Wane, Tim Carpenter, Dave Kaster, Patrick Buckley, Andy Nicholson  
**Also Present:** Executive Hinz. Supervisors Zima, Schuller, Erickson, Scray, Tumpach, Wetzel, Lund, Moynihan, Van Vonderen. Sara Perrizo, Fred Mohr, John Luetscher, Bill Dowell, Jeff Oudeans, Karl Fleury, John Lampkin, John Gossage, Todd Delain, Keith Deneys, Rich Carlstedt, Tom Sladek, Dan Krause, Erin Larsen, Other Interested Parties

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I. **Call Meeting to Order:**  
The meeting was called to order by Chair De Wane at 5:02 p.m.

II **Approve/Modify Agenda:**

Motion made by Supervisor Carpenter and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to approve. Vote taken. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Facilities Management**

1. **Action to Terminate the Lease for the Rental of Denil Building.**

Facility Management Director Bill Dowell stated that initially they had thought they could send a letter to terminate the lease but in looking at the lease agreement with Corporation Counsel they confirmed that they need to not fund it for the remainder of the year. What they are requesting is if they pass a motion to cancel the lease and fund the rental through March, 2011. There would be some funds available and the idea is to try and move contract service funds into the Sheriff's office.

Motion made by Supervisor Carpenter and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to cancel the lease and fund through March, 2011. Vote taken. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

2. **Approval of the Low Bid for the Sheriff's Office Renovation Project.**

*Supervisor Nicholson arrived at 5:18 p.m.*

Dowell provided handouts (attached) re: Bid Tabulation Record and Sheriff Office Renovation Budget Summary. He explained that they had eight very good bids as well as alternative bids. Initially they had taken bids on non attached buildings but right now Bellevue will not allow it. The County would have to go back and get a special approval. Dowell recommended staying with the base plan Alternate Bid 1 as well as Alternate Bid 3 and 3.1. He asked that the committee approve the low bid of \$1,604,500.00 of SMA Construction Services. Dowell informed that the designers, Dan Krause and Erin Larsen, Architects from Raasch Associates, and Facility's Project Manager Jeff Oudeans were available for questions.

Krause stated they took a bid on the attached and non attached building because they wanted to compare the price for the two. Early in the project there was the attempt to make it least expensive as possible. When Raasch came onto the project they were notified that an attached building would

functionally work better than a non attached building. He felt the two alternate bids were not significantly different because of the ramifications that were required by the Village of Bellevue for the nonattached building. Dowell informed that they had done this as a design bid build project, they are through the design phase, they had been bid, and contractors have submitted bids so the next step or process is to award the contract to the lowest qualified bidder and that is SMA Construction Services.

The additional building is a storage building for vehicles and for various pieces of equipment. Sheriff Gossage agreed that the building will be used to store vehicles, basically it was a cold storage which will be heated so the things being stored are safe in the winter time and it will allow them to keep vehicles that were involved in fatal crashes in that location and secured.

De Wane stated he was confused and thought they had already gone through the RFP process. Dowell responded that the RFP selected the architect, before that was the planning phase. He stated they worked with the original designers as well as other designers but explained it was all preliminary planning to get the process started. Once the budget was approved they developed an RFP for an architect, selected the architect, the architect designed the building and they bid the building.

With regards to the budget summary Dowell explained that the project is slightly over budget but there were some recommended available funds which were detailed on the handout provided. In addition to the \$4.7 million bond, the County Board had approved using some available energy grants making the approved total \$4.8 million. There were available funds of \$4,262 from the Fiber project that is under run as well as some other energy funds that are non allocated to any specific project at this time. Since this is a LEED building and energy efficient, it was recommended to use those funds for this building project. If approved the total amount available would move to \$4.9 million which will match the total expenditure amount. Dowell went on to explain options A & B on the handout. Kaster stated that when the project was approved Option B was all included. Dowell responded that it was originally but then the bond was reduced by \$250,000, they have been working through the process based on priorities. The idea was to get as much as possible into the plan but the building itself did come in higher than originally planned. Adding the attached building overran the previous budget. Dowell felt the designers did a good job working with the Sheriff's Department and believed this was a good project.

De Wane felt he couldn't in good conscious give this information to the board and ask them to vote tonight without giving them a chance to look over the numbers. Dowell responded that there had been some urgency to get this designed and that is why a special meeting was called. He added that normally there is a month cycle and there is a chance to review this but the understanding was that the board wanted it designed, bid and built as soon as possible. De Wane added that the costs have gone up and things have changed. Executive Hinz interjected that from a taxpayer's standpoint \$4.7 was still in the ballpark. He added that everything had been proposed earlier to Public Safety and the County Board.

*Supervisor Buckley arrived at 5:13p.m.*

Supervisor Kaster questioned if the tower included. Dowell responded that there was a shared fiber option and they worked very close with the IS Department and their budget, reducing their budget significantly, to make those funds available for the project. IS started with a fiber project that the county would own and was estimated at \$336,000 and IS came up with the option of the microwave which reduced it to \$200,000. IS continued to work on it and have a shared fiber plan sharing fiber

with a major company and the estimate today is about \$60,000.

*Supervisor Nicholson arrived at 5:18p.m.*

Further discussions ensued with regards to the attached or non-attached building. Dowell explained that he was unsure of what it would take to have Bellevue allow a non-attached building; he had not been at the planning meeting. He stated that right now it was a requirement from Bellevue but assumed there was always an option to go to Bellevue to ask for an exception. Kaster stated that he understood from Bellevue that they were willing to go either way. Krause explained that they made a decision to take an additional bid on the non-attached building before the recommendation from Bellevue came through. So the information had already been included in the bid documents and they left it in there because they couldn't pull it out at that time.

Oudeans stated that this project was started in 2007 initially with an unheated, non attached building for number purposes at that time. Talking with the Sheriff's department they concluded they needed minimal heat and it was decided then that they needed an attached building. Sheriff Gossage stated that when you look at a detached building that has to have the drainage and fiber suppression along with the lighting it would cost as much as an attached. He stated his preference would be an attached building.

Dowell informed that there were no eliminations made to the handouts provided. All the options were listed. They had a preliminary originally and created those options because of budget concerns.

The approved budget today is \$4.8 million which was in the original bond. There were two energy related funds that the Board approved two months ago. What they do have available is some fiber underun of \$4,200 and other energy grants that were unallocated that could be allocated to this project that would amount to \$111,000. With that total amount \$4.9 million would be available and that is what they need to continue with the project.

Dowell explained that they had submitted applications in December to Wisconsin Public Service for energy projects. There are a group of energy projects that were funded initially from the \$600,000 block grant and an estimated \$280,000 from Focus on Energy. Brown County had accrued other funding for that and it's about a million dollars in energy projects. When they did the process WPS stated they would match certain Focus on Energy projects. They have a match from WPS for a number of those projects and those funds are unplanned right now. Dowell recommended using those funds on this project. Buckley noted that realistically they are about \$155,000 over budget on this project because of those unplanned funds. Dowell went on to detail the various energy projects in the county using Focus on Energy and WPS grants.

Supervisor Zima stated he could respect the request to hold this item another month but the facts won't change. He reiterated previous conversations and stated staff had come within what was asked.

Buckley informed that his concern was not having the time to make sure everything is in there that needs to be in there. He doesn't want to have to come back and reallocate money somewhere else. Zima understood from a previous presentation that some things were taken out that were not needed to meet the project. They may want add it in the future but can live without for now.

Kaster questioned the location of the proposed solar panels. Dowell responded that they had surveyed the roof and the grounds and it was a better decision to put them on the ground.

**Motion made by Supervisor Kaster and seconded by Supervisor Nicholson to approve. Vote taken. Ayes: Nays: 1 (Buckley).**

**Public Safety Communications**

3. ***Vendor Selected for Radio Project. A closed session may be held pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 19.85(1)(e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive of bargaining reasons require a closed session (discussion of contract proposal with selected radio interoperability project vendor).***

**Motion made by Supervisor Buckley and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to open the floor to have interested parties speak. Vote taken. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Tom Sladek, 2634 Sequoia Lane, Green Bay, Wisconsin.**

Sladek is the Treasurer of the Brown County Tax Payers Association

**Motion made by Supervisor Carpenter and seconded by Supervisor Kaster to approve. Vote taken. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. Ayes: 2 (Buckley, DeWane); Nays: 3 (Carpenter, Kaster, Nicholson). Motion Failed.**

**Other**

4. **Such other matters as authorized by law.**

**Motion made by Supervisor Nicholson and seconded by Supervisor Carpenter to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

Respectfully submitted,

Alicia A. Loehlein  
Recording Secretary